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In re application of:

Gerard *et al.*

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Mutants Thereof**

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**Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board  
of Patent Appeals and Interferences – Large Entity**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated May 24, 2004, in which claims 26, 33, 117, 122-125, 137-147, and 149-161 were finally or twice rejected.

The fee (for a large entity) for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)), along with any necessary extension fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)), is included on PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. In the event that extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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